RESOLUTION NO. 2003-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI SUPPORTING THE STATEWIDE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CODES PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the codes published by the International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO) have been successful in ensuring a high level of public health, safety, and welfare in building construction for the citizens of California for over 70 years: and

WHEREAS, the three major model code organizations including ICBO joined to consolidate into the International Code Council (ICC) and produce the ICC International Codes as a single set of building and fire safety codes for nationwide and international use instead of three; and

WHEREAS, one or more of the ICC International Codes are used in 46 states, the District of Columbia, and by federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, adopting the ICC International Codes with nationwide usage is necessary to maintain a competitive economic environment for business and housing in the State of California and in the City of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the ICC International Codes has been endorsed by leading building industry groups and professional organizations, including:

- National Association Home Builders (NAHB)
- California Building Industry Association (CBIA)
- Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)
- National Apartment Association
- National Multi-Housing Council
- International City Managers Association (ICMA)
- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- Fire Prevention Officers (FPO's) Section of the California Fire Chiefs Association (CFCA)
- California Building Officials (CALBO)

WHEREAS, the ICC International Codes are developed through an open, inclusive, and balanced process that ensures the participation of all interested parties while maintaining the final determination of code provisions beyond the control of vested and proprietary interests and with Building and Fire Code Officials dedicated to the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare in our community; and

WHEREAS, the accessibility provisions in the ICC International Codes have been developed to comply with federal American with Disabilities Act and are approved as a safe harbor for complying with federal Fair Housing Act Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions, such as the City of Lodi, are responsible for enforcing building and fire codes for approximately 95% of the buildings in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions should have commensurate participation in the decision as to which codes for building and fire life safety are adopted in the State of California on behalf of our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby resolve:

- 1. To declare its support for adoption of the ICC International Codes for all building and fire safety codes by the California Building Standards Commission for use in the State of California and the City of Lodi; and
- 2. To direct the City Clerk to forward this resolution to Governor Gray Davis, California State Fire Marshal, and the California Building Standards Commission; and
- To direct the City Clerk to forward this resolution to the League of California Cities, California Building Officials, California Fire Chiefs Association, International Code Council, and other appropriate governmental and private organizations for the purpose of encouraging adoption of the ICC International Codes; and
- 4. To direct the City Manager, Fire Chief, Fire Marshal and Chief Building Official to represent the citizens of Lodi in the pursuit, to the greatest extent possible, of the adoption of the ICC International Codes for use in the State of California and the City of Lodi.

Dated:	June 18, 2003
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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-106 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held June 18, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land, and

Mayor Hitchcock

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON

City Clerk

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